

NATIONAL GAMBLING IMPACT STUDY COMMISSION**Meeting**

AGENCY: National Gambling Impact Study Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

TIME AND DATE: Friday, June 20, 1997; 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: The meeting site will be in room 3208, East Promenade, 490 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407.

STATUS: The meeting will be open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. The meeting will be closed to the public from 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for the purpose of considering internal personnel rules and practices and to allow for discussion of information of a personal nature during the consideration of hiring staff. Accordingly, it has been determined that this portion of the meeting will concern matters within sections 552b(c) (2) and (6) of Title 5, United States Code, and will be duly closed to public participation.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: At its inaugural public meeting, the National Gambling Impact Study Commission established under Public Law 104-169, dated August 3, 1996, will consider general administrative matters and substantive agenda including a report on previous gambling studies, legislative intent and the Commission workplan.

AUTHORITY: This notice is published consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972. It appears for a period of less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to the unique scheduling requirements for the Commission's first meeting in accordance with its authorizing legislation.

CONTACT PERSONS: For further information, contact Kay C. James, Chair at (757) 579-4682 or write to 1000 Regent University Drive, Virginia Beach, VA.

Please note: The address and telephone number listed for the Commission are temporary. Information concerning the new address and telephone number will be available at the meeting.

Mark Bogdan,

Administrative Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Special Emphasis Panel in Geosciences: Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting.

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in the Geosciences(1756).

Date and Time: July 8-9, 1997, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 770, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Stephan P. Nelson, Program Director for the Mesoscale Dynamic Meteorology Program; Division of Atmospheric Sciences; Room 775; 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230; telephone number (703) 306-1526.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendation's concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate the U.S. Weather Research Program (USWRP) proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempted under 5 U.S. C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government Sunshine Act.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Office.

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NATIONAL SKILL STANDARDS BOARD**[SGA 97-04]****Voluntary Partnership Planning and Phase I Implementation Grants**

AGENCY: National Skill Standards Board.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds and solicitation for grant applications.

SUMMARY: The National Skill Standards Board (NSSB), under the National Skill Standards Act of 1994 (the Act), announces the availability of funds for initiating Voluntary Partnership activity through combined Planning and Phase I Implementation grants. A grant will be made to the organization or coalition of organizations best positioned and capable of convening key stakeholder representatives from across a cluster as defined by the National Skill Standards Board. It is the Board's intent that one grant will be made in each of five

clusters. It is anticipated that five awards will be made in the range of \$80,000 to \$160,000, depending on the statement of work proposed by the participant. The period of performance will vary, but will not exceed nine months. Awardees of this grant will be eligible to receive a non-competitive grant for long-term Voluntary Partnership activities.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications shall be August 20 at 4:45 p.m. (Eastern Time) at the address below.

ADDRESSES: Applications shall be made to the Division of Contract Administration and Grant Management, Attention: Lisa Harvey, U.S. Department of Labor, Procurement Services Office, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N-5416, Washington, DC 20210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To request a copy of the SGA or for questions/clarifications regarding information contained in this announcement, contact Lisa Harvey at (202) 219-9355. (This is not a toll free number). Telephonic or faxed requests for the SGA will not be honored. A copy of the SGA can also be obtained by downloading a copy from the National Skill Standards Board web page at www.nssb.org. Any clarifications and amendments to the SGA will be published in the **Federal Register** and posted on the NSSB web page. To have clarifications and amendments sent directly to your attention, please provide your name and address to Lisa Harvey at the address noted above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Skill Standards Board is soliciting proposals on a competitive basis for the conduct of activities to convene key stakeholder representatives of the clusters as defined by the National Skill Standards Board. The purpose of the grant is to initiate the implementation of the Voluntary Partnerships activities through the nine month Voluntary Partnership Planning and Phase I Implementation Grants. Applicants successfully completing the Planning and Phase I Implementation will be qualified to apply for NSSB recognition as a Voluntary Partnership. As such, they will be eligible to receive a non-competitive grant for long-term Voluntary Partnership activities. The NSSB is an independent agency for which the U.S. Department of Labor serves as fiscal agent. The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Administration (OASAM) within the U.S. Department of Labor will administer the grant process on behalf of the National Skill Standards Board. All inquiries related to